

TABLE. A-6 1990 DECENNIAL-BASED AND 1997 CPS ESTIMATES OF THE FOREIGN BORN

(Numbers in thousands)

Country of birth	Foreign born = Total			Foreign Born = Entered before 4-1-90			Percent Change	
	1997 CPS (1)	1990 Census (2)	Change from Census 1-2 = (3)	1997 CPS (4)	1990 Census (5)	Difference 4-5 = (6)	CPS '97 vs Census '90 3/2 = (7)	CPS before '90 vs Census '90 6/5 = (8)
Total Foreign born	25,779	20,346	5,433	18,240	20,346	-2,106	26.7	-10.4
<i>In specified countries by *region:</i>								
Europe	3,293	3,866	-573	2,774	3,866	-1,091	-14.8	-28.2
Asia	5,763	4,538	1,226	3,913	4,538	-624	27.0	-13.8
Mexico	7,017	4,766	2,251	4,781	4,766	15	47.2	0.3
Other North & South America	5,116	3,760	1,356	3,853	3,760	94	36.1	2.5
In all Other countries	4,589	3,416	1,172	2,917	3,416	-499	34.3	-14.6

* Selected countries in Europe, Asia, and the Americas from the 40 tracking countries; not equivalent to the regions in published reports.

Note: To maximize comparability of the CPS and census, the 1990 census estimates include adjustments for under-coverage and allocation of country not reported. The percent change amounts in cols. 7 and 8 would differ if unadjusted 1990 census numbers (col.1) are used. For example, the 26.7 percent increase of the total foreign born from 20,346 in 1990 (census) to 25,779 in 1997 (CPS) would be 30.4 percent if the published 1990 census figure (19,767) is used. The 1990-97 increase in the Born in Mexico population would be 63.3 percent (4,298 to 7,017) instead of 47.2 percent (4,766 to 7,017).

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